

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
OFFICE OF THE MILITARY ATTACHE  
BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

January 31st, 1930

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Subject: Current Events for the month of January.

To: A. C. of S., G-2.

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1. On January 29th, the President of the Republic signed a decree convening the electors of the electors of the Federal Capital for the legislative elections to take place on March 2nd. The elections referred to are to fill vacancies that will arise in the Chamber of Deputies, one third of the members of which having completed their terms.

2. On January 17th, the President addressed a lengthy message to the National Senate impressing upon its members the urgency for dealing with and giving sanction to certain Bills which have been pigeon-holed for months and even years after having been sanctioned by the Chamber of Deputies. During the month the Senate made many attempts to hold a session, but could not do so for lack of quorum until January 23rd.

3. The National Senate on January 23rd, sanctioned the Government Bill calling for authorization to increase the Cedula issuing limit of the National Mortgage Bank to 2,000 million pesos.

4. On January 29th, the National Senate sanctioned the Agricultural Rents Bill almost without discussion.

5. The Deliberative Council gave its sanction on January 1st, to the Municipal Budget for 1930. It provides for an expenditure of \$105,884,200 paper. General expenditure is budgeted at \$24,897,844; Service of Debt \$15,688,304; Asistencia Publica \$14,987,425; Cleansing Department \$12,673,080; Public Works Department \$9,917,100; etc.

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6. During the month the President signed a decree contracting a loan of £5,000,000 for a period of one year with the British Banking firm of Baring Bros., Morgan, Grenfell & Co., London, said amount to consist of an advance in current account minus  $5 \frac{3}{4} \%$  to be retained as interest for one year as well as a banking commission of  $\frac{1}{2} \%$  and a stamp charge of one half per cent.

7. On January 15th, President Irigoyen signed a decree authorizing the deposit of gold in Argentine Legations abroad and issue of currency notes against the corresponding certificates. The duration of the measure will be for 180 days at the end of which period the paper issue will be withdrawn from circulation and the bullion returned to the depositors. This policy was practised during the former administration of President Irigoyen.

8. On December 5th, the Executive Power of the Province of Buenos Aires, through the Ministry of Finance invited private offers for the purchase of bonds of the external loan authorized by law 3941 for the equivalent of \$8,000,000 gold, the bonds earning  $6 \frac{1}{2} \%$  interest entailing a 1% annual amortization. The loan is to be applied to the construction of public and school buildings to the value of \$16,000,000 m/n the remainder to be used for other works pending licitation. As a direct consequence of the Government's decision to suspend the convertibility of paper, and the effect of this measure on the New York Exchange, it was believed the flotation of the loan would be postponed for an indefinite period. However it is now stated that the Province of Buenos Aires has compromised with the North American banking group with which it was in treaty, to curtail its loan requirements to 50% of the \$8,000,000 gold, for which the contract was originally made. It is stated that the Government of the Province have been advanced a sum of \$2,000,000 in anticipation of the \$4,000,000 that it has been decided to issue.

9. The Executive Power on January 2nd, authorized the Direction of Aeronautics to purchase a Curtiss airplane for the sum of \$26,500 m/n with an extra engine worth \$8,700.

10. The Direction General of Posts and Telegraphs at the end of 1929 issued a statement to the effect that the extension of the Argentine network of Telegraphs was 121,000 kilometres, connecting together and with the exterior 1250

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localities in the interior of the Republic. The personnel exceeds 8,000 employees.

11. The Executive Power has approved a plan of works projected by the Direction of Navigation and Ports for the construction of a sixth Dock in the New Port of the capital which will be used exclusively for coasting-trade. The size of this new dock will be 1,200 mts. long by 240 wide and will be deep enough to allow boats of 12 to 15 feet draught enter. The same project also calls for the construction of an airport South of Canning street where two sheds and shops will be erected for repairs to the planes of Commercial Aviation companies now in business. The new dock would be served by a special State Railway section. The expenditure involved has been estimated at \$3,200,000 m/n.

12. The construction of a network of underground railway lines is still being discussed by the city Council of Buenos Aires. At present the matter as to whether the contracts will be awarded to the British, German or Spanish Companies is being widely discussed in financial engineering and administrative circles

13. According to the latest statement by the Ministry of Public Works, the sum of \$728,472,628 m/n has been spent exclusively on port works throughout the Republic. Of this sum, \$233,696,626 - plus \$58,43,064 for the New Port - was spent on Buenos Aires; \$44,532,814 at Rosario; \$57,953.077 at Puerto Belgrano and \$51,909,443 at La Plata.

14. On January 8th the NYRBA Company inaugurated a regular passenger Air Service between Buenos Aires, and Rio de Janeiro.

15. On January 5th the Aeroposta Argentina inaugurated a regular air passenger and mail service between Buenos Aires and Mar del Plata.

16. The Buenos Aires Great Southern Railway has inaugurated a Diesel Electrical train service on the suburban lines. For the present they will run two trains on trial.

17. The Buenos Aires and Pacific Railway has submitted to the Ministry of Public Works the plans and full details relating to the \$7,000,000 bridge it proposes to build to link up its system with the New Port Zone. The bridge, which will start from the Avenidas Alem and Alvear and continue into the New Port will have a total length of approximately

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600 mts. and a width of 35 mts. It will cross the tracks of the Central Argentine and Central Cordoba Railways to reach its destination, and when completed, be known as the Pueyrredon Bridge.

18. During the month a cargo of silk worth \$90,000 m/n was captured in the River Plate by the Inland Revenue officers as it was being smuggled into the country. Another contraband of silk was discovered worth \$70,000 m/n two days later.

19. The Telephone operators in the city of Rosario have been on strike for several days for better wages. It is calculated that it has cost the Telephone Company more than \$36,000 m/n up to the present time. No immediate prospects of settlement are expected.

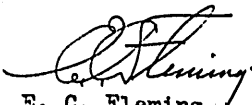
20. On January 12th, the Port Workers of the Capital went on strike for 48 hours as a "protest" - sequel to the death of a labourer member of the Port Worker's Union, who was killed in a labour dispute.

21. At about midnight on January 14th, the Mexican Embassy here was stoned by a number of Communists, some of whom, including four Russians were arrested.

22. On January 15th the new Chilean Naval Attache to Argentina, Captain Carlos Cortes Julian, presented his credentials to the Minister of Marine.

23. On January 10th, General De Pinedo, Aeronautical Attache to the Italian Embassy in Buenos Aires called upon the Ministers of War and Marine.

24. Sir Ronald Macleay has been appointed British Ambassador to Argentina, filling the vacancy recently created by the resignation of Sir Malcolm Robertson. Sir Ronald Macleay was British Minister in Argentina from 1919 until 1922.

  
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March 18th, 1930. 7

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Subject: Current Events for the Month of February.

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1. On February 9th, Lt. Colonel Antonio Aguilar Grimaldi was appointed Military Attache to the Mexican Embassy in Argentina.
2. The Spanish Ambassador to Argentina, Sr. Ramira Maestre resigned his post on February 1st, after the resignation of General Primo de Rivera. He left Buenos Aires on February 19th.
3. A Hungarian Legation will be established in Argentina in the near future, and it is stated that the first Minister will be Sr. Eugenio Nelki, Counsellor to the Hungarian Legation in London.
4. On February 4th, the new Directorate of the Banco Hipotecario Nacional was appointed. The new President is Sr. Benjamin Gorrilla and Pedro T. Pages, Vice-President. Sr. Nereo Crovetto resigned when he became a candidate for the Governorship of the Province of Buenos Aires.
5. The Electoral College of the Province of Buenos Aires met at La Plata on February 7th, and elected the Governor and Vice-Governor of the Province for the forthcoming four-year term. Señor Nereo Crovetto (till recently President of the Banco Hipotecario Nacional) is the Governor-elect, and Señor Juan Garralda, Vice-Governor elect.
6. It is stated that the Government intends to send a proper Budget Bill to Congress for 1931. The Minister of Finance for this purpose has circularised his colleagues in the Cabinet and all departmental chiefs instructing them to submit the estimated requirements of their respective dependencies during next year to him before March 31, so that they may be incorporated in the Bill.

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In a brief statement to the press last night, Dr. Perez Colman said the 1931 Budget would be drawn up "on technical lines".

7. The Government has issued a decree through the Ministry of Finance promulgating the recently sanctioned law of Congress which authorizes the Banco Hipotecario Nacional to maintain an issue of cédulas to a value of \$2,000,000,000 paper. The authorized figure was \$1,500,000,000.

8. The President of the Republic on February 15th, signed a decree according the Province of Mendoza a loan of \$1,000,000 to be used exclusively for the payment of arrears of wages and pensions of school teachers.

The preamble to the decree asserts that the Federal Interventor, on taking charge of the administrative affairs of the Province, found that the debts of the Provincial Department of Education amounted in all to \$30,000,000, or rather more than the entire annual revenue of the State, and that of the amount referred to \$3,000,000 was for salaries.

In acceding to the Federal Interventor's request for the advance of \$1,000,000 Sr. Irigoyen, in addition to making the stipulation referred to in the opening paragraph, ordered that the money should be returned to the National Treasury "when the debts contracted by previous Governments of Mendoza are liquidated."

9. A Decree was signed on February 17th, stating that in all Municipal Dependencias, without any exception, where the use of naptha was necessary the local produce from the Yacimientos Petroliferos Fiscales is to be used exclusively.

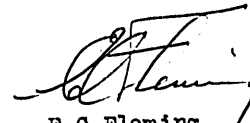
10. The Executive Power issued a decree on February 26th, authorizing the construction by the State Railway of a line from Mendoza City to Algarrobal, a distance of 240 kilometres. This construction was approved by Congress more than 20 years ago. The total cost of the work will be \$13,000,000.

11. The Department of Posts and Telegraphs has presented to the Ministry of the Interior a project for the extension of the telegraph system from the Territory of Santa Cruz to Ushuaia, in Tierra del Fuego. The extension would comprise 340 kilometres of overhead line and 50 kilometres of submarine line - across the Straits of Magellan.

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12. The Nyrba Lines new once-weekly mail and passenger air service between Buenos Aires and New York via Atlantic Coast, was inaugurated on February 19th, and started from the New Port Zone with a record quantity of correspondence and several passengers.

13. On February 15th, the Union Telephone Company in Rosario gave the strikers 48 hours in which to return to work after which they would be struck off the Company's lists of employees and other men taken in their place. The trouble was the definite refusal of the Company to pay men's wages for the days of the strike. After this ultimatum many workers returned to their posts and the lines are now being repaired and telephone service has been reestablished.



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1. Arrangements have been completed in La Plata for the issue of \$8,000,000 m/n Province of Buenos Aires loan, which was contracted for with an American Banking syndicate some months ago, but held in suspense because of abnormal money market conditions in Argentina at the end of last year. The proceeds of the loan are destined for the construction of schools and public buildings.

2. On March 14th, an attempt to smuggle jewellery to the estimated value of \$300,000 was frustrated in the Port of Buenos Aires.

3. An attempt to smuggle 120 silk dresses into Buenos Aires was brought to light on March 26th, by the Custom officers in the port of Buenos Aires. The goods were valued at \$30,000.

4. On March 29th, the Training Ship "Presidente Sarmiento" left the port of Buenos Aires on her 30th trip of instruction to the cadets of the Naval School.

The Sarmiento will proceed direct to Ushuaia, from which point the first stage of the voyage will be made with visits to Comodoro Rivadavia, Puerto Madryn and Puerto Belgrano. The crossing of the Atlantic will be started from Bahia (Brazil), the following ports being visited successively: Santa Cruz, Teneriffe, Toulon, Villafranca, Genoa, Naples, Venice, Piraeus, Salonika, Constantinople, Smyrna, Jaffa, Alexandria, Malta, Algiers, and Gibraltar.

The return journey will be made from the last mentioned port, touching at St. Vincent and Rio de Janeiro. The whole journey will occupy some 243 days, reaching Buenos Aires again on November 28, after covering 20,405 miles.



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5. On March 10th, the Transport "Bahia Blanca", which has been undergoing a series of repairs and being modernized in Europe, left Hamburg for Cardiff where it will load 6000 tons of coal for the deposits of the Argentine Navy, and also aviation material, including several airplanes purchased in Great Britain for the Argentine Air Force. The ship is expected to arrive at Puerto Belgrano about the beginning of May.

6. On March 27th, there arrived in Buenos Aires Count Bonifacio Pignatti Morano de Cuestozza, the new Italian Ambassador to Argentina.

7. On March 17th, Sr. Alvarez de Toledo, Argentine Ambassador in Paris, was recalled suddenly by wireless telephone. This has given rise to rumours of impending changes in the Cabinet.

8. The Direccion of Civil Aviation has purchased for the sum of \$12,000.00 U.S.Cy., the two Lock-Head-Vega hydroplanes used by Wilkins for his explorations in the Ant-Artic Regions. These machines are equipped to land on ice. They have spare engines and complete radio installation.

9. In view of the increasing aerial traffic, both passenger and cargo, between Argentina and foreign countries the Custom House authorities have decided to establish a vigilance over the departure of aeroplanes to foreign countries.

The new regulations demand that the air line companies shall give to an authorized Customs employee, on arrival of a 'plane from a foreign country, a complete list of passengers, luggage and parcels, duly revised by the Argentine Consul at the point of departure. In the case of an internal air route all that will be necessary is a list of the passengers revised by the local chief of police or justice of the peace.

The air line companies have also to provide the necessary office at the aerodrome for the proper carrying out of the Customs employee's duties. In the case of the aerodrome at the north end of the docks, the passengers are obliged to enter the city through the Retiro entrance.

10. On March 23rd, the Pan-American Grace Air Ways Inc., carrying United States mail between Montevideo, Uruguay, and the United States via Buenos Aires and Santiago, Chile, landed in the Municipal Airport in the centre

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of the city of Buenos Aires, and upon landing struck three people who were crossing the center of the field killing two and injuring one. The plane suffered minor damage to one landing gear, but the passengers were unhurt.

An immediate investigation by the proper authorities exonerated the pilot and Company of all blame, and the mail went through on schedule.

11. The new eight hour day law passed by Congress last year was promulgated by the Government during the month and has become effective.

12. The Minister of Finance on March 28th, authorised the National Treasury to pay the sum of \$1,000,000 to the Direction-General of State Railways to meet part of the cost of the construction of the new line from So-compa to Rosario de Lerma.

13. The President of the Rosario Bolsa de Comercio has addressed the President of the Republic asking for his good offices in the extension of the port and the deepening of the river Parana.

It is stated that when work on the port was commenced it was calculated that facilities would be required in 1930 for a traffic of some 2,500,000 tons. Only two years have passed since the inauguration of the extension work, and the calculated figure has been considerably exceeded. A new calculation based on the present figures, estimates that in ten years' time, the traffic will be about 4,300,000 tons, for the greater part of which there will be no facilities to handle.

Already, it is reported, there is a scarcity of material in the port for handling cargoes, and especially is this the case in respect of sheds and warehouses.

14. The breakwaters of the port of La Plata are to be reconstructed at an estimated cost of more than \$5,698,000. The Direction-General of Navigation and Ports, will have charge of the works. It is understood that the Government will ask Congress to vote the necessary funds immediately the Department of Navigation and Ports completes the plans of the proposed new breakwaters.

15. The Minister of Public Works has under consideration a \$845,000 scheme for widening and deepening the entire Southern Channel. When the works are completed the width will be 120 metres and the depth 30 feet.

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It is stated in connection with the plan that it will greatly facilitate shipping in the Riachuelo, and also enable the freezing plants along the same stream to make use of heavier craft for the transport of their products.



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May 8th, 1930.

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Subject: Current Events for the month of April.

To: A. C. of S., G-2.

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1. On April 20th, in Cordoba, in the city of Santa Rosa, at a political meeting, which was being held as a protest by the Democratic Party against the trickery alleged to have been indulged in by their opponents in the recent national elections, a shooting affray took place when the police tried to break up the meeting. A police officer and 4 policemen were killed as well as three civilians.

2. A decree just issued by the Public Works Department forbids the manufacture, manipulation or storage of explosive materials of all kinds within the city radius, except hardware stores, and firms importing firearms, ammunition, etc., which will be allowed to store no more than 100 kilos of white or black gunpowder, 2,000 kilos of paper, and 1,000 kilos of metallic cartridges, all of which is to be under the control of the Ministry of War, which will supervise the purchases and sales of each firm, in a special registry kept for the purpose.

3. The first preparatory session of the newly constituted Chamber of Deputies, which was to be held on April 9th, failed for lack of a quorum, and no quorum was obtained until April 25th.

4. On April 28th, the President of the Republic signed a decree whereby the Executive Power declares the closure of the prorogued ordinary session of Congress.

The Executive Power gives the motive for its decree in a brief preamble, which says that over six months have elapsed since the ordinary session of 1929, was prorogued, and that the opening of the new legislative term is at hand.

5. On April 30th, the time limit given by the Director of Posts and Telegraphs elapses for the removal of Radio Broadcasting stations situated in the Federal Capital to the outskirts of the City. To date only two stations have complied with this order, the others requesting that same be

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again prorogued giving them more time to erect towers etc. No American companies are concerned.

6. On April 9th, the Government of Argentina concerted a short term loan of fifty million dollars from the Chatham Phenix Corporation, at the rate of 5% per annum for a term of six months receivable at a commission of  $\frac{1}{2}\%$ .

7. On April 27th, there was confiscated by the Customs authorities a shipment of perfumery valued at \$25,000 m/n, as it was being smuggled into the country.

8. On April 2nd, the Mexican Ambassador to Argentina left Buenos Aires for Rio de Janeiro, where he has been transferred.

9. The resignation of the Bolivian Minister to Argentina, Dr. Jose M. Escalier, reported in Current Events as having been sent in during the month of July 1929, has now become effective. The Charge d'Affaires, Dr. Arturo Pinto Escalier will remain head of the mission in Buenos Aires.

10. On April 7th, the Argentine Ambassador to France, Sr. Federico Alvarez de Toledo, arrived in Buenos Aires, having been recalled by President Irigoyen. Sr. Alvarez de Toledo explained to the newspaper reporters that his stay in Buenos Aires depended upon the Government's decision - a decision he did not know.

11. On April 12th, the new Italian Ambassador, Count Bonifacio Pignatti Morano de Custozza presented his credentials to the President of Argentina.

12. On April 29th, the professional boxer, Justo Suarez, who was to visit the United States on a boxing tour, was appointed chancellor to the Argentine Consulate in New York by President Irigoyen. This action has been the subject of loud criticism by the "Circulo Diplomatico y Consular Argentino" (Diplomatic and Consular Association of Argentina), which has issued a public declaration denouncing the appointment, and also by the Argentine press.

13. The British cruiser "Delhi" arrived in the Port of Buenos Aires on April 17th, on a visit of courtesy to Argentina. A separate report is being made on this visit.

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June 9th, 1930.

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Subject: Current Events for the Month of May.

To: A. C. of S., G-2.

1. Dr. Alfonso Danvila, the new Spanish Ambassador to Argentina arrived in Buenos Aires on May 24th. He was formerly Spanish Minister to Uruguay.
2. Sir Ronald Macleay, former British Minister to Argentina, returned to Buenos Aires on May 27th, as Ambassador.
3. On May 15th, it was announced that General Luis J. Delepiane, Minister of War, was retired from the Army. He continues, however, as Minister of War.
4. Dr. Marcelo T. de Alvear, ex-President of the Republic, it is stated, is returning shortly to Argentina, and may, it is rumoured, reorganize the Radical Anti-Personalist Party. It is also rumoured that he will be the party's candidate for the Senatorship for the Capital at the next election.
5. On May 9th, the Executive Power signed a decree ordering Major Francisco Arteaga (retired), who has been directing the Airplane Factory in Cordoba, to Europe on a six months inspection mission to gather information necessary to carry out technical improvements in the factory in this country.
6. The First Regiment of Cavalry, which has been newly formed, received its "estandarte de guerra" (war standard) on May 24th, from the Minister of War. A ceremony was held on the occasion at the Sociedad Rural Argentina. Military and Naval Attaches were not invited.
7. With a view to modernising the wireless communication services of the Direction-General of Navigation and Ports, it has been announced that a number of new type transmitters would shortly be transferred to the Department in question by the Ministry of Marine.

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It is also stated that the Direction-General will submit to the Minister of Public Works a proposal calling for the installation of all dredgers and other similar craft with wireless transmitters and receivers.

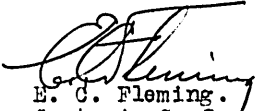
8. Regular telephone communication between England and Argentina, Chile and Uruguay was inaugurated on May 7th. The service is provided by means of the transatlantic wireless telephone circuit of the Cia. Internacional de Radio as far as Madrid, whereafter connection is made by the land lines of the Cia. Telefonica Nacional de Espana, the French Government, and the British Post Office. The link between France and England is provided by means of a submarine cable.

9. On May 10th, a mail plane of the Latecore Company carrying mail for Uruguay, Brazil, Africa, and Europe was lost in a fog, and fell into the river off the Coast of Montevideo. The plane carried four passengers, three of whom were drowned, as well as the pilot. Some of the mail was recovered days later from the river.

10. A Motorship "Ciudad de Asuncion", has been added to the National Mercantile Marine. This new unit is owned by the Cia. Argentina de Navigacion, and will ply between Buenos Aires and Asuncion carrying passengers, correspondence and cargo up the River. The ship carries 280 first class passengers, and 250 third. This vessel made its maiden voyage on May 10th.

11. On May 25th, Argentina's National Holiday was held. No definite official programme was arranged, except for a Te Deum at the Cathedral to which only members of the Government and the Diplomatic Corps were invited.

12. A Presidential Decree on May 24th, reduced the periods of imprisonment imposed upon more than 100 men serving in the National penal establishments and gaols.

  
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July 1st, 1930.

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Subject: Current Events for the Month of June.

To: A. C. of S., G-2

1. The Aero Club Argentina has announced that in accordance with a resolution adopted by the International Aeronautic Federation assembled in Copenhagen last year, that the next conference will be held in Buenos Aires from the 20th of June to the 5th of July, 1931.

2. The Federal Interventors of San Juan and Mendoza have signed decrees convening the electorate to the polls on September 7th, to appoint the Governments that will supersede the Commissioners from Buenos Aires. The publication of the decrees have given rise to great excitement in both Provinces.

3. On June 8th, just as Sr. Emilio Grandinetti, Director of Commerce of the Department of Agriculture, was leaving the office of the Minister of the Interior in the Government House, he encountered National Deputy Commander A.J. Noble, and they commenced a heated argument during which Sr. Grandinetti drew a revolver and attempted to shoot. A scene followed in which the Secretary to the Minister of the Interior and four policemen intervened and prevented further trouble. The subject of the discussion has not been disclosed.

4. Elections for Governor in the Province of Entre Rios on June 2nd resulted in a victory for the Anti-Personalista Party, which obtained 36 of the 54 seats in the Provincial electoral college. These returns give the Anti-Personalistas a full working majority over the official party, and assure the return of Dr. Herminio J. Quiros as Governor, and Sr. Candido Uranga as Vice-Governor.

5. Transradio Internacional has inaugurated their wireless telephotography service between Buenos Aires and Europe the rate being \$0.32 gold or \$0.73 m/n per square centimetre and minimum size to be 100 square centimetres.



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6. On June 5th, the new municipal Slaughterhouse and Packing Plant, under construction for several years, was completed, and is now in full operation.

7. On June 15th, the President signed a decree authorizing the National Mortgage Bank to issue a further series of Cédulas, this being No. 37, consisting as usual of bonds to a total face value of \$50,000,000 m/n.

8. During this month frauds brought to light at the Law Courts show that the Bank of the Nation has been swindled of \$1,700,000 m/n, by means of false checks.

9. On June 10th, the new British Ambassador, Sir Ronald Macleay, presented his credentials to the President of the Republic. For reasons not stated the ceremony was divested of its usual pomp, the Presidential guard and gala dress being dispensed with.

10. The Executive Power signed a decree on June 20th, naming General Anibal Vernengo Commander of the Third Division of the Army. This Command has been vacant for several months, ever since General Alfredo Cordoba was retired from active service.

11. On June 6th, the President of the National Chamber of Deputies issued an order convening the House to Preparatory session to consider the reports presented by the credentials committee on the March 2nd elections. However, no session was held until June 12th. The discussion of the diploma of Deputy elect Sr. Videla Dorna, were continued at the sessions held during the rest of the month.


12. A \$110,348 gold order for railway lines for the New Port has been awarded by the Direction-General of Navigation and Ports to the company operating locally as Thyssen La Metal (a German Company). It calls for the supply of 1,000 tons of ordinary railway lines and 500 tons of tramway-type lines. A \$32,000 tender by the same firm for the provision of points and crossings was also accepted.

13. The Navigation and Ports Office of the Ministry of Public Works has started work on the construction of a new hangar and terrace in the New Port zone. It is situated

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near the third basin, and will be utilised for the Offices of the Customs House and Maritime Prefecture who are to intervene in the loading and discharging operations carried out in the third and fourth basins.

Secondary dependencies will also be built in the vicinity of the building including bathing installations for workmen and a sanitary office. The estimated cost of the work is \$100,000 paper.

  
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WAR DEPARTMENT

August 13, 1930.

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Subject: Current Events for the Month of July.

To: A.C. of S., G-2

1. On July 16th., Captain Lewis Yancey at an altitude of 1200 mts. established a record in Argentina by making for the first time commercial calls from an aeroplane in flight to telephone subscribers in the city and later to the United States and Spain.

2. The Argentine Military Attaché to Chile, Lt. Colonel Ernesto Garcia Fernandez has been promoted to the rank of Colonel.

3. A decree was issued through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on July 7th. naming Doctor Gregorio N. Martinez, Ambassador at Rome. The appointment is "in commission", pending ratification by the Senate. Doctor Fernando Perez who has been Ambassador at Rome for several years has been recalled and is now "awaiting orders."

4. The President of the Republic has appointed Arturo H. Massa as Minister to the Argentine Legation in Holland. Sr. Massa was for some years past a Consul-general in that country.

5. Dr. Amadeo Ferreira de Almeida Carvalho has been appointed Minister of Portugal in Argentina.

6. On the 9th. of July, Argentina's Independence Day was celebrated with a Military Parade, a Te Deum at the Cathedral, a reception at the Government House and a gala performance at the Colón Theatre at which the President of the Republic and his cabinet were present.

7. On July 24th. the Minister of War sent his annual report to Congress corresponding to the period 1929-30.

8. During the month, the Chamber of Deputies decided to hold daily sessions until such a time as the

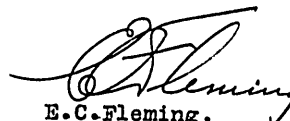
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agenda had been caught up. However, it has been impossible to carry out this decision due to the fact that there have very rarely been enough Deputies present to form a quorum.

9. On July 17th. the diploma of the Deputy-elect for Buenos Aires, Sr. Daniel Videla Dorna was rejected after more than three weeks' discussion.

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Subject: Current Events for the Month of August

To: A.C. of S., G-2

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1. The "Compañia Argentina de Telefonos" inaugurated yesterday a new telephone service between Rufino and Rosario which places into communication with each other the Pampa Territory, and the Provinces of Cordoba, Santa Fe, and Buenos Aires.

2. The Paraguayan Executive has authorized the International Telephone and Telegraph Company to instal and operate a radio-electric service between Asunción and Buenos Aires, the maximum tariff to be ten cents gold per word.

3. On August 17th. the Nyrba Line suspended their service to the United States until further notice, but still have service to Para. This was done to carry on existing mail contracts.

4. A new Opposition party was constituted in Buenos Aires on August 26th. under the name of the Legion de Mayo. The principal figures in the organisation are Sr. Daniel Videla Dorna, whose diploma as Deputy for the Province of Buenos Aires was rejected by the Chamber a few weeks ago and Dr. Alberto Viñas, an ex-Conservative Deputy for the Province, who was expelled from the Conservative Party's ranks some months before his term of office expired in March last.

One of the first acts of the new party will be the publication of a manifesto calling public attention to "the dangerous position into which Irigoyenism has plunged the Republic."

5. A duel was fought on August 30th. by Sr. Julio V. Rocha and Sr. Manuel Fresco Jr., two national deputies as a result of a quarrel which took place in the Chamber of Deputies, Sr. Rocha was wounded on the forearm and under the left eye and the seconds declared honor satisfied.

6. On August 12th. the death occurred of the National Deputy Dr. Domingo Arizaga, who was elected to the Chamber on March 2nd.

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7. On August 2nd. the Ambassador of Great Britain, Sir J.W. Ronald Macleay called on the Chief Executive with a view to getting the President's opinion on the visit of the Prince of Wales to this country in April of next year. The President requested the Ambassador to transmit to his Government that the visit of the heir to the British throne would be a source of great pleasure to the country.

8. On August 24th. Coronel Ernesto Garcia Fernandez, Military Attaché from Chile returned to that country.

9. A National Government decree issued on August 7th. appoints Señor Dardo Corvalan Mendilharzu Consul-General in Paris, which decree is retroactive from October 12th., 1928.

10. The President of the Republic signed a decree on August 7th. appointing Lt. Col. Armando Verdaguer of the Superior School of War as Military Attaché to the Argentine Embassy in Italy. Lt. Col. Verdaguer replaces Lt. Col. Martín Gras who has been at this post for three years.

11. On August 13th., Major Rafael Gonzalez Quint, who up to this time had been Military Attaché to the Bolivian Legation at Buenos Aires returned to his country.

12. On August 27th., the Post Office Department found on opening an envelope of samples sent by air mail from Mexico, addressed to a large seed house here, a species of caterpillar, which were evidently sent with the intention of destroying the apple crop.

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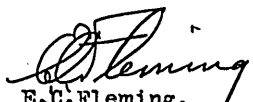
Subject: Current Events for the Month of September

To: A.C. of S., G-2

1. On September 9th., as a result of the Revolution the National Penitentiaries and Jails were placed under the direction of the Minister of War, Lt. Col. Ramon Espindola having been appointed Chief.
2. On September 11th., the much feared Security Squadron was disbanded by the Chief of Police, Rear-Admiral Hermelo. The men who have good service records will be incorporated in the Mounted Police Force, which will be formed to replace this Squadron.
3. On September 25th., the regular courses in the Escuela Superior de Guerra, interrupted on account of the late Revolution, were recommenced, Colonel Miguel Duval having been appointed Director by the Minister of War.
4. The Minister of War passed a resolution on September 18th., suspending the courses of instruction for Officers on the School of Infantry during the current year on account of a large number of these officials being on special duty due to the Revolution.
5. The Minister of the Interior on September 17th. passed a favourable decision on the petition presented by the Compania Trimotor Safety Airways, Inc., for rescinding the existing contracts with the National Government for the establishment of an air postal route between this country and the United States, and another to Chile.
6. On September 10th., the Ministry of Public Works issued a decree suspending the operation of the eight hours law (No. 11544) as regards the personnel engaged in maritime, fluvial, port, national jurisdiction railway, tramway, telephone, telegraph, gas, electricity, and radiotelegraphic occupations.
7. Direct telephone service across the province of Entre Rios between the cities of Parana and Concordia was inaugurated on September 24th. by the proprietary company, Compania Entrerriana de Telefonos.

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8. The troops which have been concentrated in Buenos Aires as a result of the events which occurred on September 6th., and 8th., have been ordered to return to their respective barracks. The Sixth Infantry Regiment in view of this were relieved of its duties in guarding the Congress Building and returned to Mercedes.
9. On September 12th., General Uriburu's Provisional Government was formally recognized by the Judicial authorities of the Republic.
10. President Uriburu broadcasted to the United States by Radio Telephone on September 14th. a statement regarding the origin of the Revolution, and the policy and aims of the Provisional Government. The President read his speech in Spanish, which lasted seven minutes, and was afterwards translated into English.
11. Captain St. Aubyn Wake, R.N. Naval Attaché of the British Embassy in Buenos Aires, sailed for England on September 21st.
12. Captain E. De Renouf, R.N. who has been appointed Naval Attaché to the British Embassy in Buenos Aires arrived on September 9th.
13. On September 19th., a grain elevator constructed by the Asociacion de Cooperativas Argentinas was inaugurated at Oliva, Province of Cordoba. This is the second elevator to be constructed by this Asociacion in Cordoba within the year.
14. A British Mission representing the Sheffield Cutters Company arrived in Buenos Aires on September 18th., to make a thorough study of market conditions here; then to return to England to manufacture these requirements so as to be able to place them on the Argentine market at competitive prices.
15. The fiftieth anniversary of the City of Buenos Aires in its character of the Federal Capital was celebrated on September 19th., and two succeeding days when by order of the Intendency flags were displayed and all public buildings were illuminated.

  
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Subject: Current Events for the Month of October.

To: A. C. of S., G-2.

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1. A new long distance line of the Union Telefonica from Rufino to Venado Tuerto has just been opened to public service, thus establishing the first telephonic connection between the subscribers of those two important towns in Santa Fe Province.

2. Dr. Herminio J. Quiros, the Governor of Entre Rios, inaugurated on October 24th an important telephone circuit from Parana City to Tala. The new line has been installed by the Compania Entrerriana de Telefonos. It covers 250 kilometres and takes in the villages of Crespo, Ramirez, Aranguren, Hernandez, Nogoya, Lucas Gonzalez, Sola and Tala.

3. The putting up of one hundred kilometres of telegraph lines has just been finished in the Chubut Territory extending from Esquel to Bolson Lago Puelo and Bolson Epuen Oholila.

The work was carried out in its entirety by a section of the Army School of Communications, under the orders of Lt. Raymundo Estrada, and it will give communication to a large and productive zone in the northwest of Chubut, in the proximity of the Cordillera range.

4. The Direction General of Posts and Telegraphs advised the Ministry of Interior on October 20th, that provisional approval of the following wireless-telephone rates for the Transradio service has been given, until such time as the prevailing tariffs for similar services in foreign countries have been studied. Buenos Aires-North America - Zone No. 1: for the first three minutes or fraction \$70.65; for each succeeding minute \$23.50. Zone 2: \$77.70; and \$25.90. Zone 3: \$84.30; and \$28.25. Zone 4: \$91.85 and \$30.60. Zone 5: \$98.90 and \$32.95. Zone 6: \$105.95; and \$35.30.

Buenos Aires-Cuba - Havana: \$98.90 for the first three minutes or fraction; and \$32.95 for each succeeding minutes. Other points \$105.95 and \$33.30.

The Ministry of the Interior was also advised of an application received from the Union Telephone Company for

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authorisation of the following international wireless-telephone rates:

Buenos Aires-France: For the first three minutes or fraction \$68.15; for each succeeding minute or fraction \$23.70; advice message \$3.80. Buenos Aires-Spain. - Same as hitherto. A reduction in the advice message to England of from \$13.10 to \$8.50 m/n.

5. The Provisional Government has authorized the Union Telefonica to effect a radiotelephone service between Argentina and Germany in combination with the Compania Internacional de Radio.

6. General Uriburu, President of the Provisional Government, talked by wireless telephone to his German confrere President Hindenburg from Government House on October 13th. The object of the conversation, as explained by a member of the Presidential suite, was to "repair the damage done to Germano-Argentine relations when ex-President Irigoyen, after arranging to speak to Field-Marshal Hindenburg, some months ago, failed to keep his engagement". Following an exchange of cordial salutations between the two heads of state the German Minister in Buenos Aires made a brief address to the German First Magistrate.

The linking up of the Presidential offices of Buenos Aires and Berlin was effected through the transatlantic wireless telephone service of Transradio Internacional.

7. The Argentine Government has authorized All America Cables Inc., to put into effect the following reductions in cable rates effective October 27th. Japan, Formosa, Chosen \$1.28n/s per word, and to other points where the rate was formerly \$1.45 o/s.

8. Colonel Angel M. Zuloaga, Director General of Aeronautics, who has been on a special mission to the United States returned to Argentina on October 27th.

9. Sr. Ronald Macleay, the British Ambassador to Argentina, who is also accredited to Paraguay, presented his credentials to the Government of the latter country on October 7th.

10. The President of the Provisional Government on October 28th, signed a decree cancelling Law No. 9842, which prohibits the exportation of coal from Argentina. The decree also instructs the Ministry of Marine to make a monthly report on coal stocks in the country. The law repealed was sanctioned by Congress in 1914 with a view

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to preventing a coal shortage arising out of the European war.

11. An attempt to hold a political meeting directed against the Provisional Government was frustrated by the La Plata police on October 10th.

The organisers of the meeting, in seeking a police permit, explained that the gathering would be of students and had nothing to do with politics. No sooner had the public gathered round the site chosen for the speaking, however, than the orators commenced to discuss politics. Without hesitation policemen, directed by an army officer, proceeded to break up the meeting, some of the participants afterwards marching round the city uttering cries against the Conservative Party.

12. Air mails to Europe, interrupted by the revolution in Brazil, was resumed on October 31st. One of the first consequences of the recent political disturbances in Brazil was the suspension of permits for civil aviation, in view of which the company was obliged to withdraw service for nearly a fortnight.

13. A decree issued by the Ministry of the Interior, on October 25th, lays down that "all questions that may arise in connection with the liberty of the press and the application of restrictive measures against such liberty, emerging from the present state of siege that prevails throughout the Republic, shall be decided by the respective Federal Interventors appointed in each Province, in their capacity as representatives of the Provisional Government and in accordance with the general instructions issued by that Government". The decree adds that the military commanders must collaborate with the Interventors, and carry out their instructions.

It is essential, says the decree, to establish a uniform mode of procedure throughout the country in everything pertaining to difficulties or questions that may arise regarding liberty of the press: hence the necessity for framing this decree.

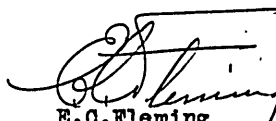
14. Scenes of patriotic fevour equalled in Buenos Aires only on September 6 and 8th were witnessed on October 12th, Dia de la Raza, when the forces that won the revolution marched past Government House and through the city as part of the programme of celebrations connected with this Day. Beneath the balcony from which General Uriburu took the salute were the Military College cadets who suffered wounds while helping to depose the former Administration. Their more fortunate companions who took part

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in the parade had their path strewn with flowers, thrown from windows along the route.

During the progress of the march Buenos Aires witnessed the remarkable spectacle of three aircraft flying in formation tied together with strings of bunting. The Argentine officers pointed with great pride to this event and hastened to point out that the three pilots (Navy) had all had their training in our Naval & Military flying schools.

15. Colonel Jose M. Mayora, who had been appointed to the command of the First Division of the Army by the Provisional Government died suddenly on October 5th. He had accompanied the President of the Provisional Government, General Uriburu, to the race meeting at Palermo on the occasion of the Gran Premio Nacional. Whilst the official party were making a round of the paddock, Colonel Mayora collapsed, and succumbed almost at once to an attack of apoplexy. The funeral took place on October 7th, and was attended by President Uriburu, the Minister of War, and General Agustin P. Justo.

  
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Subject: Current Events for the Month of November

To: A.C. of S., G-2  
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1. In accordance with the measures taken by the Provisional Government to pay off the foreign debt, on November 3rd. the Bank of the Nation shipped 3,155,000 dollars in gold to the United States by the s/s "Southern Prince" and on November 7th. the Munson liner "Pan America" sailed for New York with \$4,400,000 dollars in specie for the same purpose. These shipments will be made periodically during the months of December and January.

2. Daylight saving came into force in Argentina at midnight on November 30th. and will remain in force until March 31st.

3. A special issue of postage stamps commemorating the Revolution of September 6th. was issued on November 28th. The decree authorising the emission which fulfills the calculated needs until the end of the fiscal year, also included the printing of 50,000 \$2.- stamps, and 3,000 \$50.- stamps, these constituting two entirely new issues. The entire emission was made up as follows: 6,000,000 half-cent, 400,000 one cent, 20,000,000 2-cent, 200,000 3-cent, 400,000 4-cent, 90,000,000 5-cent, 2,000,000 10-cent, 3,000,000 12-cent, 2,000,000 20-cent, 100,000 24-cent, 200,000 25-cent, 100,000 30-cent, 100,000 50-cent, 50,000 \$1.-, 50,000 \$2.-, 1,000 \$5.-, 1,000 \$10.-, 1,000 \$20.-, and 3,000 \$50.-; a total of \$6,405,000.

4. On the 7th. of November the Provisional Government through the Minister of Foreign Relations instructed the Argentine Ambassador in Rio de Janeiro, Dr. Antonio Mora y Aroujo, to present himself to the new Brazilian Government and communicate that the Provisional Government of Argentina had resolved to continue the friendly relations existing between the two countries.

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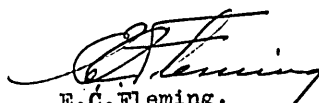
5. On November 21st., Lt. Col. Pedro Zanni, the new Aeronautical Attaché from Argentina to England, France, Italy and Belgium, sailed for Europe.
6. On November 21st. a lieutenant of the naval airforce, Sr. Urbano de La Fuente Ollereros, who together with Lt.Col. Pedro Zanni (mentioned above) will represent Argentina in the forthcoming International Aerial Security Congress to be held in Paris on December 10th., sailed from Buenos Aires on the s/s "Conte Verde."
7. On November 15th., the new Argentine Military Attaché to Paraguay, Lt. Col. Armando Verdaguer left for Asunción, Paraguay.
8. On November 29th., Lt.Col. José M. Sarobe left Buenos Aires to take up his duties as Military Attaché in the Argentine Legation in Japan.
9. Doctor Tomás A. Le Breton, the recently appointed Ambassador of Argentina to the French Republic left for France on November 18th. by the s.s. "Massilia."
10. Doctor Felipe Barrera y Laos, the new Ambassador of Peru to Argentina arrived here on November 16th. by s.s. "Cap Polonio."
11. Señor Amadeo Ferreira d'Almeida, the new Minister Plenipotentiary and Envoy Extraordinary of the Republic of Portugal in Argentina, presented his letters of credence to the President of the Provisional Government on November 15th.
12. On November 18th., the Provisional Government signed a decree authorizing the incorporation in the Army Mechanical School as scholarship pupils 5 Paraguayan students.
13. In the early hours of November 30th., the torpedo gunboat Buchardo was sunk in collision with the Mihanovich tug Kate, four miles from Concepción del Uruguay. The Buchardo had been lying at anchor off the Tigre until three days ago, when she was ordered to proceed to Concordia. She was four miles north of Concepción del Uruguay when she collided with the Kate. Within a few minutes the vessel sank, but her crew of fifteen officers and men were able to save themselves before she went down. The cause of the collision has not been stated.

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14. On November 27th. the training ship "Sarmiento" returned from her thirtieth training cruise. She was met at the dock by President Uriburu and several of his Ministers. The Sarmiento will go into dry dock to be refitted for her 31st. training cruise which will commence some time in January.

15. The non-stop flight between La Paz, Bolivia and Buenos Aires organized by three Bolivian aviators, met with disaster at Villa Constitución on November 22nd., three hours after commencement of the flight from Palomar Airdrome.

16. Two marketing specialists arrived in Buenos Aires on the 18th. of November aboard the s/s "Southern Cross" to study the agricultural situation in the South American countries. They are Mr. E.S. Ray, who has been appointed as the American commissioner in Argentina, and Mr. Charles L. Ludetke, assistant agricultural commissioner, both of the United States Department of Agriculture. They are carried as Agricultural Attachés at this Embassy.

  
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December 31st, 1930.

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Subject: Current Events for the Month of December.

To: A. C. of S., G-2.

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1. The third of the chain of grain elevators at present under construction by the Asociacion de Cooperativas was inaugurated on December 3rd, at Hernando, Province of Cordoba.
2. The Bakers Association decided on December 10th, to reduce the price of bread. The traders decision to make these cuts is the outcome of the Provisional Government's campaign to provide the people with cheaper food.
3. The Provisional Government on December 19th, published a decree reducing the import duty on silk and silk-textiles by 50%. The object of the measure is to make smuggling unprofitable.
4. According to a statement published by the Minister of Agriculture on December 16th, land-owners in several parts of the country have agreed to give reductions oscillating between 40 and 50% to farmers.
5. On December 10th, the first convoy to traverse the new State Railway line between Formosa and Embarcacion arrived at the Formosa terminal at 10 a.m. The Administrator General of the State Railways and other prominent officials and business men from Embarcacion were passengers. The Administrator General of the State Railways, Lieut. Col. Rocco, in a speech, stressed the economic value of the new line. He declared that the products of the north east of the country could be conveyed to Buenos Aires via Formosa at a 30% lower rate of freight than had had to be paid in the past. The condition of the line is reported to be good and as from January 8th next there will be a service of four trains a week, which number will be increased as the volume of traffic augments.
6. Early in the month of December oil was struck at a depth of between 850 and 880 metres at the No.8 bore of the Astra petroleum Company at Plaza Huincul, Chubut. The yield is said to be abundant.



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7. On December 29th, the Transradio Company in combination with the Cia. Internacional de Telefonos, whose headquarters are in Paraguay, inaugurated a radiotelegraphic service direct between Asuncion and Buenos Aires.

8. On December 4th, the Cia. Argentina de Telefonos inaugurated its new trunk line linking up the Provinces of Tucuman and Santiago del Estero.

9. In accordance with the current Budget Law, and with the consent of the Provisional Government, the Municipality of the City of Buenos Aires has sent 722,343.38 dollars in gold coin to New York to meet debt services maturing there this month. The cost of drawing for that amount at the rate of exchange current on November 29th, would have been \$2,107,109.93 paper, whereas by sending gold and after allowing for freight, insurance and other expenses, the figure is reduced to \$1,719,341.40 - a saving of \$387,768.53 paper.

10. The Provisional Government decreed during the month of December that effective January 1st, visa fees are increased from \$3.00 to \$33.00 Argentine gold, for all persons desirous of entering Argentina.

11. On December 7th, Lt.Col. Florencio Campos and Lt.Col. Juan L. Cernadas, who have been appointed as Military Attaches to the Argentine Embassies in Brussels and Madrid respectively, sailed for Europe.

12. On December 5th, Lt.Col. Pedro P. Ramirez sailed for Italy, to which country he has been appointed Military Attache.

13. Lt.Col. Ricardo Miro left for Washington, D.C., on December 19th, where he will take up the post of Military Attache.

14. On December 2nd, Major Becerra Moyano sailed for Europe to join the Armament Purchasing Commission, where he will be in charge of the sub-commission of Aviation supplies.


15. The Minister of War submitted a decree to the Provisional Government on December 12th, appointing Lieut. Horacio A. Sirito to continue his studies in the Technis-

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che Hochschule-Charlottenburg of Germany,

16. Sir Eric Drummond, General Secretary of the League of Nations arrived in Buenos Aires on December 28th.

17. On December 13th, Dr. Juan Barillatti, Military Surgeon (Retired) sailed for Europe to visit medical installations and services for the personnel of the armies of the various countries.

  
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